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THIRD STATUS LETTER

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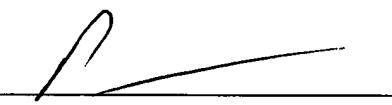
Our periodic docket check indicates that to date we have not received an Office Action in the above-referenced application which was filed on July 13, 2001. A first status letter was sent on January 10, 2003 to which the United States Patent and Trademark Office promptly replied on January 30, 2003 indicating that a response would take more than 15 months.

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